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TO AMEMBASSY AMMAN IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, JO, US

SUBJECT: JOINT STATEMENT

REF: AMMAN 3662

1. WE AGREE THAT EMBASSY SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT REISSUE
ITS TEXT OF JOINT U.S.-JORDANIAN STATEMENT.

2. ONE SOLUTION WOULD BE FOR JORDANIANS TO CORRECT THEIR
TEXT TO CONFORM TO OURS. IF AFTER DISCUSSION OF THIS
POSSIBILITY WITH PRIME MINISTER YOU FEEL THAT THIS WOULD
RISK CALLING UNDUE ATTENTION TO DISCREPANCY, YOU SHOULD
TAKE FOLLOWING LINE WITH HIM: HE MAY EXPLAIN PRIVATELY
TO INQUIRERS THAT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TWO TEXTS WAS IN-
ADVERTENT AND HAS NO SUBSTANTIVE SIGNIFICANCE. OUR
ORIGINAL DRAFTS CONTAIN REFERENCE TO RESOLUTION 242 BUT
SINCE 242 IS SUBSUMED IN RESOLUTION 338, WE FELT REFERENCE
TO BOTH WAS SUPERFLUOUS AND MENTION OF 242 WAS THEREFORE
ELIMINATED. FACT THAT IT WAS ELIMINATED ONLY IN PARA 8
RATHER THAN IN BOTH PARAS 7 AND 8 OF JORDANIAN TEXT WHILE
IT WAS ELIMINATED IN BOTH PLACES IN U.S. TEXT WAS RESULT
OF MISUNDERSTANDING UNDER PRESSURE OF TIME TO GET AGREED
TEXTS REPRODUCED AND ISSUED.

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3. EMBASSY SHOULD TAKE SAME LINE IN RESPONSE TO PRIVATE

INQUIRIES WHERE YOU FEEL THIS IS NECESSARY TO AVOID CREATING
AN ISSUE WHERE NONE IN FACT EXISTS. SISCO

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